Notice of Funding Announcement

2018 Knoxville-Knox County Continuum of Care (TN-502)

July 6, 2018

This notice is regarding local participation in the US Department of Housing and Urban Development's Continuum of Care (HUD CoC) funding for homeless housing and eligible related services and activities. This announcement is subject to all applicable HUD rules and regulations.

HUD's national Notice of Funding Announcement (NOFA) and related documents and application materials can be found at https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/e-snaps/fy-2018-coc-program-nofa-coc-program-competition/#nofa-and-notices. Anyone considering applying for these funds should first read HUD's NOFA and accompanying rules and regulations for the CoC program and application.

Knoxville-Knox County CoC Collaborative Application

HUD's CoC program invites local cities and self-defined regions to submit collaborative applications for funding under this program. The Knoxville-Knox County Continuum of Care will be submitting a collaborative application package for Knoxville and Knox County, Tennessee. The City of Knoxville Office on Homelessness has been designated as the coordinating 'Collaborative Applicant' on behalf of the Knoxville-Knox County CoC, and will thus be coordinating an overall CoC application package that will include individual agency and program-specific applications as a part of that package. Any funding awarded to those agency and program-specific applications as a result of this process will be awarded and contracted directly between HUD and the recipient agency. Those funds do not flow through the City of Knoxville's budget.

The 2018 CoC application for Knoxville-Knox County will consist of a number of applications to renew funding to continue existing activities, and may also include new applications to fund eligible activities related to serving and housing victims of domestic violence, as described in the HUD NOFA. All applications potentially included in the Knoxville-Knox County collaborative application will be subject to a review and ranking process as required in the HUD NOFA.

Domestic Violence (DV) "Bonus" funding opportunity.

Each CoC may include applications for new funding to house and serve victims of domestic violence. Eligible program activities include, as defined by HUD, (1) Rapid Re-housing into permanent housing, (2) Joint transitional housing/rapid rehousing, or (3) Social Service-Only projects for Coordinated Entry to implement policies procedures and practices specific to enrolling victims of domestic violence into this CoC's Coordinated Entry System for assessing, prioritizing and referring clients to appropriate housing and services. Please see the HUD NOFA for specific information for each of these programs. This funding is competitive nationwide. This CoC could potentially receive between an estimated \$50,000 to \$137,000 in funding for up to three (3) DV applications, one each for the above categories.

Any agency interested in seeking funding for the Domestic Violence "Bonus" funding must submit a written expression of intent to apply to Michael Dunthorn with the City of Knoxville Office on Homelessness at mdunthorn@knoxvilletn.gov no later than 5 p.m. EDT on Friday,

July 13, 2018. This requirement is to assure that the CoC is aware of all potential applicants, so that such applications can be considered as part of a fair and open ranking and review process for inclusion in the Collaborative Application as required by HUD.

Deadlines

HUD's NOFA includes deadlines for submitting a collaborative application package as well as other procedural deadlines required to carry out the collaborative process prior to the final submission deadline. The Knoxville-Knox County CoC will seek to meet or exceed HUD's required deadlines in order to carry out an open and fair application process. The Knoxville Knox County CoC's 2018 timeline will therefore include local deadlines that may occur *before* HUD's required deadlines. Applicants seeking inclusion in the 2018 Knoxville-Knox County CoC Collaborative Application will be required to meet the local process timelines and deadlines. Those dates will be published on the City of Knoxville's Office on Homelessness webpage (www.knoxvilletn.gov/homelessness), and will also be shared via email and other means of notice. Although the intent is to adhere to the initially announced timeline and deadlines, this CoC reserves the right to add or make changes to those dates and times as may be needed to meet HUD requirements or to otherwise carry out a fair and open process. Such changes will be posted online and notices sent out as appropriate. It is the individual agency applicants' responsibility to watch for notices and check the website to keep up with all deadlines and process requirements.

Questions and Contact

Any questions about this opportunity may be directed to Michael Dunthorn of the City of Knoxville's Office on Homelessness at mdunthorn@knoxvilletn.gov or (865) 215-3103.